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which collection action cannot be suspended or terminated under parts 103 and 104 of the FCCS (4 CFR parts 103 and 104), shall be referred to the General Accounting Office or the Department of Justice, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedures set forth in part 105 of the FCCS (4 CFR part 105).

PART 310—GOVERNMENTWIDE DE-BARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT).

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APPENDIX TO PART 310—COVERED TRANSACTIONS

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§310.25 How is this part organized?

(a) This part is subdivided into ten subparts. Each subpart contains information related to a broad topic or specific audience with special responsibilities, as shown in the following table:

In subpart	You will find provisions related to
A	general information about this rule.
В	the types of Peace Corps transactions that are covered by the Governmentwide nonprocurement suspension and debarment system.
C	the responsibilities of persons who participate in covered transactions.
D	the responsibilities of Peace Corps officials who are authorized to enter into covered transactions.
E	the responsibilities of Federal agencies for the Excluded Parties List System (Disseminated by the General Services Administration).
F	the general principles governing suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion and settlement.
G	suspension actions.
H	debarment actions.
T	definitions of terms used in this part.
J	[Reserved]

(b) The following table shows which subparts may be of special interest to you, depending on who you are:

If you are	See subpart(s)
(1) a participant or principal in a non- procurement transaction.	A, B, C, and I.
(2) a respondent in a suspension action	A, B, F, G and I.
(3) a respondent in a debarment action	A, B, F, H and I.
(4) a suspending official	A, B, D, E, F, G and I.
(5) a debarring official	A, B, D, E, F, H and I.
(6) a (n) Peace Corps official author- ized to enter into a covered trans- action.	A, B, D, E and I.
(7) Reserved	J.

§310.50 How is this part written?

(a) This part uses a "plain language" format to make it easier for the general public and business community to use. The section headings and text,

often in the form of questions and answers, must be read together.

- (b) Pronouns used within this part, such as "I" and "you," change from subpart to subpart depending on the audience being addressed. The pronoun "we" always is the Peace Corps.
- (c) The "Covered Transactions" diagram in the appendix to this part shows the levels or "tiers" at which the Peace Corps enforces an exclusion under this part.

§ 310.75 Do terms in this part have special meanings?

This part uses terms throughout the text that have special meaning. Those terms are defined in Subpart I of this part. For example, three important terms are—

(a) Exclusion or excluded, which refers only to discretionary actions taken by